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## Thinking Out Loud

H. M. L.

**In this column today we are substituting the thought of another and far abler editor, who writes in the New York Herald Tribune upon President Roosevelt's proposal to "pack" the Supreme Court. Under the title of "Striking at the Roots" the New York editor utters a protes ha has he whole hearted endorsement of the Nugget. It is reprinted in the hope that all thinking Americans who read it will be aroused to the menace which the President's plan holds for this country.**

In this one hundred and sixty-first year of the independence of the United States, President Roosevelt has brought forward a proposal which, if enacted into law, would end the American state as it has existed throughout the long years of its life.

The plan is put forward with all the artistry of the President's political mind. He speaks in the name of "youth," always a popular and appealing note. He dangles before the House and the Senate fifty new and important jobs, always ripe and luscious bait for the congressional mind. He ingeniously conveys the impression that all he seeks is a routine and moderate effort to speed up justice and improve the whole Federal bench.

Yet, beneath this veneer of politeness, the brutal fact is that President Roosevelt would pack the Supreme Court with six new justices of his own choosing. The argument discusses the Federal courts in general terms. The law's delays, due to clogged calendars, are made the chief basis for the action asked. These do exist in some of the lower courts. They do not exist in the Supreme Court, which since the time of Chief Justice Taft has been practically abreast of its calendar. These petty failings of the minor courts are the pretense, the smoke screen, under which the President asks Congress to deliver to him control of the Supreme Court and with it the right to rewrite the Constitution as he and his compliant Congress choose.

The pretense is so obvious, the lack of candor so beneath the level due the gravity of the issue, that it would be idle to discuss the President's argument seriously, in so far as it concerns the Supreme Court. By implication, for instance, the court could do more work if it had fifteen members instead of nine. But of course it must hear arguments as a unit and must vote upon each case as a unit. The whole court must hear each case and pass upon each case. Enlarging the court would expedite its business not one day.

At points in the message even the veneer of politeness wears thin. By insulting old age Mr. Roosevelt reveals how much his pride has been disturbed by the indevendence of the court. Here the President descends to a level that we think the whole country will resent. The unfairness of these jibes is obvious. For one thing, the court, by its self-imposed custom, does not descend to the political arena to defend itself. The President is hitting loyal and distinguished servants of the public who cannot hit back. For another point, the attack upon the age of the court disregards the obvious truth of the record. For years two of the most liberal members of the court were its oldest. When Justice Holmes retired in 1932 at the age of ninety-one, his style was still lucid and vibrant, his wisdom was at its highest and his outlook as broad as ever. He was seventy seven when he wrote his historic dissent in the child labor case, and eighty two when, with Chief Justice Taft, he dissented in the minimum wage case. Justice Brandeis, who is eighty and the oldest member of the court, is still one of its powerful dissenters. The President's attacks upon "infirmity" are as bad in logic as they are bad in manners.

But, as we have said, it is idle to discuss these arguments seriously. They are utterly irrelevant to the real goal of the message. The President, after insulting the court, would take it over and add it to the appointive agencies of the New Deal. He plainly expects Congress to place its rubber stamp upon the law which he hands it.

No President of the United States ever before made the least gesture toward attempting to gain such a vast grant of power. Mr. Roosevelt demands it, calmly, artfully. By one legislative act, availing himself of the one loophole in the Constitution—the failure to specify the number of members in the Supreme Court— he would strike at the roots of that equality of the three branches of government upon which the nation is founded, and centralize in himself the control of judicial as well as executive functions. The Constitution, which the Supreme Court has guarded, developed and held true to its great, original design, would lie helpless before him.

It was a French king, Louis XIV, who said. "I'etat, c'est moi" — "I am the State." The paper shell of American constitutionalism would continue if President Roosevelt secured the passage of the law he now demands. But it would be only a shell. The ruling power would be the will of the President, unrestrained by court or Constitution and subject only to the necessity of securing the consent of a subservient Congress.

# Legislative Action Hostile to Mining Must be Halted

Los Angeles county which last year prevailed on good natured sheriffs in northern California to let the policemen from its metropolis patrol county and state boundaries in order to head back transients coming is now sticking its nose in Nevada county's minig industry. According to a letter received by business men in Nevada City and Grass Valley from Albert F. Knarp, a Los Angeles assemblyman seeks to "investigate" quartz mining here.

The letter from Knarp follows:

During the first session of the legislature, step No. 1 was taken towards "investigating" stream pollution in California — this particular attempt being aimed at the deep mines in Nevada county. The assemblyman from Los Angeles who was so concerned about Nevada county used as his prime argument a petition purportedly signed by a number of farmers in the district. He almost put his resolution across.

You will readily realize that signatures can be obtained to any imaginable type of petition and therefore those of us who are at Sacramento are wondering just how many petitions are going to make their appearance at the next session. We feel that to off set any possible effects these petitions might have it would be well to be armed with an expression from the Boards of Supervisors and various business and service organizations of the mining districts showing how these people look upon mining in their districts.

I enclose a copy of a resolution sent to us by the Trinity County Board of Supervisors. Is it asking too much of you to request that Sierra Board of Supervisors prepare a somewhat similar resolution? Furthermore your Chambers of Commerce, Lions, Rotary, Kiwanis and other service clubs, also merchant organizations, would help a lot by sending some samilar memoranda. It is just possible that we may never have any need for this data, but "forewarned is forearmed."

Cordially yaurs,
GOLD PRODUCERS OF CALIFORNIA.

Albert F. Knarp, Secretary, 351 California Street.

The following resolution prepared by Ed C. Uren, in response to Knarp's request, will be submitted for action to the city council, the board of supervisors, the chambers of commerce, and the various clubs and civic organizations:

**RESOLUTION**

....**WHEREAS,** the County of Nevada whose fortunate condition today, and all through the recent depression, is due solely to its mining industry is now threatened with legislation which will tend to handicap or destroy this industry, and

**WHEREAS,** the agitation for this proposed legislation comes, not from this region, but from a source entirely foreign to the desires or interests of this portion of the state of Californta; and

**WHERSAS,** such legislation is entirely uncalled for and has not been requested from or by the representatives from this District; and

**WHEREAS,** the mines of Nevada county employ approximately 2600 men, with a monthly pay roll of $365,000, it is therefore vital for the residents of Nevada County to use all their means to prevent the passage of any legislation which will destroy the industry which is the mainstay of the great bulk of its people.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** of this Council of the City of Nevada, California, in regular session assembled this day of February, 1937 to advise the Governor and the Legislators of the State of California that any legislation which tends to injure or destroy the mining industry in Nevada County is looked upon as an effort to disturb the economic balance of the entire state.

## P. G. & E. DOES NOT OWN YOU BET MINING CO.

Contrary to reports that every now and then gain currency, the Pacific Gas and Electric company did not take over the You Bet mining company. Prior liens held by the Alpha Stores Ltd. prevented this action and the title to You Bet Mining compay's holding is now vested in Alpha Stores. The Liberty Hill property, however, was turned over to the Pacific Gas and Electric company, following the judgment against the placer mining companies in the Bear Valley water shed in the celebrated "muddy water" case.

**PUMPER WATER TRUCK RESPONDS**

A call came from the Murchie mine east of Nevada City, at 10 o'clock last evening for assistance in extinguishing a fire in the office. The pumper water truck responded from this city. The fire had been put out by the time the truck arrived there over a very rough icy road. The inside of the office was burned out. It is reported that the fire might have been caused by spontaneous combustion.

## BETTER SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

The Nevada City grammar school reopened today after closing last Tuesday for the rest of the week on account of bad colds among the pupils and heavy storms. Phincipal Walter Carlson of the Washington grammar school states conditions are much improved today although quite a number of the children are still absent from school.

The North San Juan school bus, which was not able to get to Nevada City last Friday, came in on time today. Reports from high school are that the attendance is improving. Many students have recovered from colds and influenza and are back in school.

**ESTATES SET ASIDE**

In the superior court Friday the estates of Charles E. Wilson, Edward D. Huber ad Alvah Morgan and Hadley T. Harding deceased, were set aside to their widows.

The estate of Charles E. Wilson was admitted to probate and Mrs. Elisia appointed administrator.

**DEMURRERS OVERULED**

In the superior court on Friday in the case of George R. Carter vs. George Teit demurrer was overuled and defendant given ten days to answer.

In the suit in partition of Jack O'Donnell vs. Harriett O'Donnell demurrer overuled and defendent given ten days to answer.

**INTERLOCTORY DEGREE GRANTED**

In the superior court Friday an interlocutory degree was granted to the plaintiff in the case of Beatrice George vs. Horace R. George.

Also an interlocutory degree was granted to the plaintiff in the case of Lena Nestell vs. J. C. Nestell.

## LANDSLIDES HAMPER TRAFFIC ON HIGHWAYS

CAMPTONVILLE, Feb. 6.—This section is still in the grip of one of the most severe storms of the history of this end of Yuba county. Since it started raining a few days ago, the snow is being melted and a huge flow of water has started, playing havoc with roads. etc.

E. A. Boehme, Marysville mail contractor, narrowly escaped death, Thursday, while on his return trip. He stopped at the approach to the Freemans Concrete bridge on the highway seven miles south of this place, and removed a rock from the road, as he finished and was getting back in his car, several huge boulders came in, which would have landed on his car had he not stopped. It took the highway crew several ours to get the road open so that he could continue and all the next day to get the slide entirely out.

Thursday night the large rock water drainage ditch that leads out of town clogged up and overflowed. causing a young avalanche on the road, taking it away up to the wheel track. A crew of twelve men spent most of Friday making a temporary repair and opening the road up.

This is a test of all the roads. A huge slide came in on the Marysville road, on the south end of the dam at Bullards Bar. The Pike City road has several slides and is a network of fallen trees. The state highway, although passable, is in bad shape. Many slides, and the pavement has cracked and crumbled from the heavy freezing weather, and the snow plows have not done the surface any good.

Telephone lines are down in most every direction, and the Pacific Telephone and Teleghaph company have their men out on their line every day.

## FLOWERS AVAILABLE FOR YOUR VALENTINE

Flowers in the dead of winter sent to a young lady with the ancient question-command "be my Valentine" is bound to be particularly appreciated according to the owners of the Sunnyside Greenhouse. They have prepared for the Valentine occasion with flowers ranging from demure violets to impressive long stemmed roses. Flower arrangements from corsages to old fashioned bouquets are made up expertly by the Sunnyside Greenhouse on order. An advertisement setting for the Sunnyside Valentine specials appears in this issue of the Nugget.

## TWO CARLOADS OF COAL READY FOR DISTRIBUTION

It will be good news to those who are out of coal that both Alpha Stores and Union Ice Company have received carloads of coal and are now in a position to distribute allotments among their customers. For some two weeks no coal shipments have been received and many homes were running short.

## TEARING DOWN WALLS OF RECORDER'S OFFICE

Electric drills are tearing down walls of the county recorders office at the court house today. A temporary shield has been built to protect the office force of Mr. Sam Clark recorder. It is expected the new office space will be completed in about two weeks. After the carpenter work has been completed the whole interior will be painted.

## MOUNTAIN LION ROAMS CITY STREETS NIGHTLY

The big mountain lion which was seen on Gold Flat last week was seen again Thursday evening by three men out near the home of Miss Susie Green. The big creature has been driven into the edge of town by hunger and is evidently attracted to odors at the Calaan and Richards slaughter house. He was protected by the young pine growth just back of the state highway department camp and was seen from the old Grass Valley road.

A miner, Howard Keene, who has been walking to and from the Ragon mine since the last storm saw foot prints of a large moutain lion out near the Indian campooddie several days ago.

# WASHINGTON FOLKS ARE GOING TO EAT

## DON'T FORGET THE HAND BRAKE· IT MAY BE A GOOD ONE

Those who laugh last do not always laugh best. Mr. Otto Schiffner, superintendent of the Lava Cap mines, drove his sturdy car up in front of the National Hotel. The car was equipped with new chains on all four wheels and after returning from the post office he attempted to back out over the snow which was not very deep.

Alfred (Hopper) Eddy and Ed Martine standing nearby attempted to help shove the car back into traffic. This didn't work and Mr. Schiffner got out and shoveled snow away from the rear wheels and still it wouldn't move. Eight or nine men finally gathered and tried to shove the car out. Finally Harrison Randall glanced up and said: "Otto, why don't you take off your emergency brake?" After releasing the emergency brake it took four men to keep the car from hitting a building across the street. It went out that fast.

Here's the funny part of the story. Hopper Eddy and Martine laughing about the incident got into Eddy's car, Eddy said. "Well, Mart, this car" (meaning his own), will go anywhere." After six or eight minutes spent in effort to move a few feet at a time Martine said: "Will I get out and shove on the machine?" He said "no," but was still puzzled at his car, but when he finally got his car into traffic moving about a foot at a time, he said: "By heck' My hand brake was on too as far as it will go."

## TRAFFIC DEATHS HIT NEW HIGH

While final complete figures on traffic fatalities in the United States last year are not yet available, reliable estimates place the total at around 38,500, a new all time high, reports the California State Automomile Association. The estimated 1936 total of 38,500 represents an increase of 1,500, or four per cent, over the figure for 1935. Mileage of car travel was credited with an eleven per cent gain. Motor vehicle registration also marked up a new all time high, estimated at 28,000,000.

Encouragement was found in the fact that despite distinct increases in car registrattion and use, a number of states and larger cities effected reductions in traffic deaths during 1936 as compared with the preceding year. Safety education and active law enforcement policies are credited with the improved showings in those localities.

## JOINT MEETING OF TWO CHAMBERS FRIDAY NIGHT

There will be a joint meeting of the chambers of commerce of Nevada City and Grass Valley next Friday evening in the local chamber of commerce offices at 8 o'clock. The purpose of the meeting announced by Fred Conner, president, is to discuss matters in which both communities are interested and then enlist the aid of Senator Jerrold Seawell in putting them forward. Following the meeting Friday evening there will be a dinner meeting, Tuesday evening, February 16, at which Senator Seawell will be the guest. He will confer with the two chambers regarding aid he may be able to give them.

## ROUGH AND READY MAN GOES TO TRIAL TUESDAY

The jury trial of Ed Callison of Rough and Ready will start in the superior court tomorrow morning before Judge Raglan Tuttle. The witnesses and jurors have been subpoenaed for the trial. Attorney W. E. Whight has been retained to represent Callison who is charged with attempted assault.

**W. B. Celio has been ill for several weeks at his home, corner of Boiulder street and Park avenue.**

The Tahoe-Ukiah highway and the road from the Junction down the Red Ledge mine of the Washington road, is still blocked with snow, but iny any event, Fred Conner president of the Nevada City Chamber of Commerce is seeing to it that the people of Washington will eat. This was accomplished by getting Joe Lopez, former mail carrier to hitch up his sled to his little caterpillar and take $60 worth of groceries down the canyon over the snow. This will reach them in time for dinner this evening.

In the meantime, Fred Garrison, highway division superintendent is slogging away with a big caterpillar and huge snow plow today and expects to have the highway cleared of snow from the ski course to the junction by Wednesday. It is a slow business, trying to push 6 to 10 feet of snow off the highway with a plow. What is need is a rotary plow and it is possible that this kind of a plow will be available before the week is out.

Washington, Nevada county, has a history more than half as long as Washington, D. C. and in its way fully as interesting, woke up early last week to the fact that it was short of provisions. Flour and sugar were running low. Snow had blocked the road from the ski course to the Junction, about five miles and from the Junction down to the Red Ledge mine. Only good ski men could make the grade and there are not enough of them immediately available to carry provisions to the community that looks to Washington for supplies. An appeal was made to Fred Conner, president of the Nevada City Chamber of Commerce.

Immediately things began to happen. A long distance call to Senator Jerrold Seawell was made, who relayed the call on to Lee Kelly's office in Sacramento. There, after a hurried huddle, it was decided to send one of the giant bulldozer plows operated by a huge tractor. That came up Saturday night. It stuck on the Lady Jane grade and did not arrive until yesterday. This morning it slowly slogged its way toward the junction with the Washington road.

This is one of the side-lines, or extra activities of the Chamber of Commerce, i. e. seeing to it that no one in the midst of snow desolation goes without food. And, in an emergency the chamber, which usually goes about its business with deliberation, can speed up and get results. There are probably 400 persons including workers and their families at the Spanish and other mines in the vicinity of Washington with one slender artery, plugged with snow through which their food supply must go. Of course, if the worst came food could be dropped to them from an airplane. But the speedy action of the Chamber makes such a rescue unnecessary.

## CCC CARETAKER FOOD SUPPLY REPLENISHED

Emerson Varin of forest service and caretaker of the CCC camp at White Cloud, during the winter, had his stock of food replenished yesterday by Horace Swafford of the Nugnet staff, and Joe Bierwagen. The two skiied in from above the old ski course after going as far as they could in their car. It was a three mile ski trip.

Varin reported that a day or two before the arrival of Swafford and Bierwagen, three miners had come in, after slogging through the deep snow from the Spanish mine. They had had nothing to eat for over 24 hours and had been on their feet in loose dry snow up to their waists for over 12 hours. They were provided with neither snow shoes nor skis. After a very hearty meal they came on into Nevada City. Varin stated that he had been feeding several wayfarers during the past two weeks and his supply of groceries had run short.

**BANNER MT. POST PARTY**

**Banner Mt. Post, V. F. W., Auxiliary is giving its postponed card party in Pythian Castle next Friday evening. A number of fine prizes have been secured for the winners of high scores. The post is preparing for a meeting Thursday evening and will initiate three candidates into the order.**

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Literally hundreds of California bridges have been posted by a watchful state division of highways as unsafe for the maximum loads now carried on the highways of the state. Others are many years past their intended life, but lack of funds and budget attention have prevented their replacement.

Nation wide attention was attracted by the article "Forgotten Bridges" in the September, 1936, issue of Reader's Digest in which H. E. Colburn, bridge engineer of Alleghany County, New York, pictured the hazardous condition of the nation's bridges.

Describing a national scene wherein the scope of motor transportation has rapidly outmoded thousands of highway bridges, Mr. Colburn declares there is just one logical course —a curtailment of new highway construction until the bridges are made reasonably safe.

Maintenance of our existing highways is essential and will be protected by the California Division of Highways, but sufficient money will not be available to rebuild and replace old bridges, to meet the urgent need for safety, and also continue the present rate of new road construction. This problem is recognized by the California Highway Commission, division of highway engineers and the engineers of every county.

California engineers have performed miracles with existing funds, but unlike Moses, who called upon a heavenly power to sever the waters of the great sea, that his followers might reach the promised land, our engineers need money and public insistence against other demands if California's forgotten bridges" are to be made safe.

The next biennium could well become a safety era, wherein elimination of dangerous bridges and alignments would hold precedence in the distribution of gas tax funds. As a matter of motoring safety the public should insist upon this course.


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# SAVANT FINDS NO IMMEDIATE WAR PROSPECT

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—The critical situation surrounding the abdication of King Edward of England has not only left the British government with unimpaired prestige, but has given convincing proof of the coolheadedness and the political sense of the British people. This is the opinion of Professor George M. Stratton of the department of psychology, University of California, who has just returned with Mrs. Stratton from a tour of a year and a half abroad and in the eastern portion of the United States.

"Had such an abdication occurred in almost any other European country it almost certainly would have brought on serious complications," Professor Stratton said.

The circumstances of the abdication appear to have further strengthened the position of Premier Baldwin and the British Parliament, he said. "It must be remembered that, not the Conservatives alone, but also the Laborites and the Liberals in Parliament approved the abdication. And it was approved by all of the self-governing dominions of the Empire. Through the Simpson affair the king was moving in a direction, which in the judgment of Parliament, would lessen the prestige of the crown and weaken the ties which bind together the British commonwealth of nations."

Professor Stratton sees no strong probability of an immediate war of major proportions in Europe, although stating that the situation is a very dangerous one. "There are more indications that Europe is not going to have a general war soon than there are indications pointing to an immediate and widespread conflict. But anything may happen. Some of the greater nations would like to war upon smaller nations in order to gain certain advantages, but they hesitate to attack a larger power and bring on just now a major conflict."

The Strattons witnessed some stirring history making events while away. They saw the start of the German occupation of the Rhineland with the tense, completely equipped colmuns of troops moving along with their camouflaged field pieces. Likewise they heard the speech of Fuehrer Hitler, which started this historic movement. They were in London on the occasion of the death of King George V. "So close was the king to most Englishmen that it seemed to them as though a member of their own family had died." Professor Stratton said. The Strattons spent much time in the Scandinavian countries studying political and economic conditions.

Europe is watching American governmental affairs closer than ever, Professor Stratton said. "England was confident what the outcome of the presidential election would be long before such outcome became clear in the United States."

# JAMES MC LEOD RITES HELD THIS AFTERNOON

Funeral services for the late James A. McLeod were held today at 2 o'clock at the Memorial Chapel of the W. R. Jefford and Son Funeral Home. Interment was in Greenwood cemetery in Grass Valley.

James McLeod, a former miner of this district, passed away, Saturday at 12:10 o'clock. He was a native of New Jersey aged 63 years and six months.

Surviving deceased are six children and nine grand children. The children are: Donald McLeod, Grass Valley; James McLeod, Nevada City; Mrs. Phoebe Letner, Grass Valley, Mrs. Isabelle Besso, Nevada City; Miss Margaret McLeod, Seattle, Washington and Mrs. Delphine Schuller, Piedmont, California.

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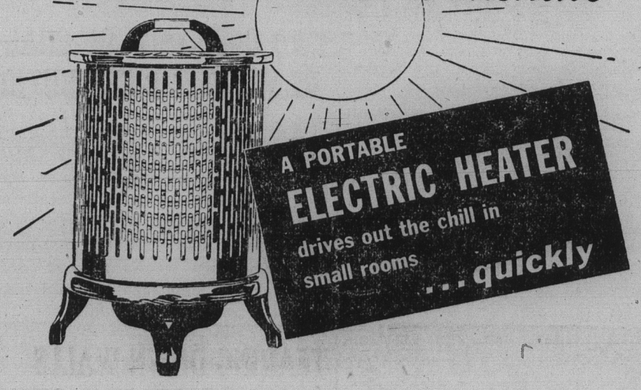


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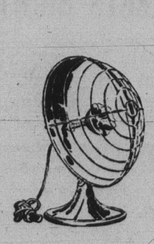

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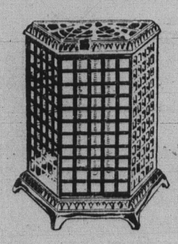

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# From Aunt Sarah

One more cookie recipe is always welcome, this one is especially fine being both crisp and "chewey."

**Nut Fruit Drop Cookies**

One cup shortening (half butter, half vegetable shortening).

One and one-half cups sugar.

Three eggs.

One teaspoon soda dissolved in 1 1-2 tablespoons hot water. 3 1-4 cups flour.

One half teaspoon salt, one teaspoon cinnamon.

One half cup seeded raisins (chopped).

One half cup currants.

One cup walnuts (or other nuts) chopped.

Cream the butter, add sugar, gradually. Add the eggs, one at a time, working well after each egg. Add the dissolved soda. Then half the flour sifted with the cinnamon and salt. Add the nut meats and the fruit and remaining flour. Stir well. Drop by spoonfuls one inch apart on greased cookie tins. Bake in moderl ate oven (350 degrees) about fifteen minutes.

**ESTATES DISTRIBUTED**

Friday in the superior court final accounts were settled and the estates of Esther M. Pyper, Eliza N. Burns, Francis N. Burns and Whiemina Hoeffert were distributed.


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### HOME FROM MEXICO

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Miller of the Lare House, of this city, returned home Sunday evening after a motor tour that extended as far as Mexico City in old Mexico. Mrs. Miller stated they had a marvelous trip and the beauty of this tropical country cannot be realized until it is visited. They returned by Carlsoad Caves, New Mexico, and traveled about 7,000 miles. But she said home certainly looked good to them even with broken water pipes and other discomrofts of the cold spell.

### SNOW SPORT AT AIRPORT

Crowds motored to the Nevada City airport northwest of Nevada City Sunday and enjoyed skiing and other snow sports. Several inches of snow packed hard over the big field gave them plenty of room to enjoy the amusements.

## JAS. MC CRANEY HAS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Jas. McCraney celebrated his thirteenth birthday last Thursday in a most delightful and interesting manner. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Orlando McCraney, invited several friends of Jim and with Mr. McCraney they motored to Sacramento to hear Admiral Richard Byrd give his instructive lecture and saw many pictures of his trip to the South Pole and "Little America."

After the show the group enjoyed a turkey luncheon at Auburn. Upon their arrival in Nevada City Mrs. McCraney had prepared a big birthday cake and the boys had a feast of ice cream and cake.

Those making the trip with Mr. McCraney were Robert Farmer, Walter Miller, David McCraney and Jas. McCraney.

## High School Notes

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### BASKETBALL

The walls of Armory Hall swelled Friday night with the tremendous yelling of the Nevada City fans and rooters at the splendid performance of the Nevada City high school Yellowjackets against the Grant Union Pacers of North Sacramento.

Completely surprising the valley rooters, the Nevada City A team kept the Pacers fighting all through the game to keep their league title. The score at the end of the first half was very close and for awhile it looked as if the Yellowjackets were to defeat the Pacers in a big league upset. First half scoreboard showed 21 for Grant and 13 for Nevada City. At several times during the first half the Jackets lead the Pacers on the chalk-board and this part of the game was filled with thrills both for the Barron lads and for the valley challengers.

Cliff Hoff, starring ace for the locals, although not in the best of condition, chalked up 11 points for his side and was the outstanding player.

At the end of the game the score was 38 for the Pacers and 26 for the Jackets. The individual scoring for the team was as follows: Cliff Hoff, 11; Bill Bennett, 8; Mel Clark, 2; and Carlos Casmore and Phil Joyal 1.

In the preliminary B game, although the locals were in the game all the time with fast plays and good defense, the Pacers again took over the reins of the game and won 36 to 9. Both teams showed the fast playing. The individual scoring was as follows: Bob Graham, 4; Herschal Lotz, and Reg Kennedy, 2; and Karl Kopp, 1.

A large size crowd was present, considering the fact that weather conditions were not good. The following played in the games. Nevada City A: Hoff, f; Casmore, f; Perez, f; Bennett, c; Joyal, g; Clark, g; Bonner, g; Jones, g.

Nevada City B: Graham, f; Kopp, f; Goldsmit, f; Lotz, c; McCraney, c; Kennedy, g; Angove, g.

The locals will meet the Miners in the new gymnasium, it is hoped, next Friday night.

### YELL CONTEST

The senior class again won the yelling contest Friday in the weekly activity period. The yells this week were short and snappy and much enthusiasm prevailed. Yell leaders were as follows: Seniors, Edna Doolittle; juniors, Eddie Doolittle; Sophomores, Hal Draper; and freshmen, Harlath Brock.

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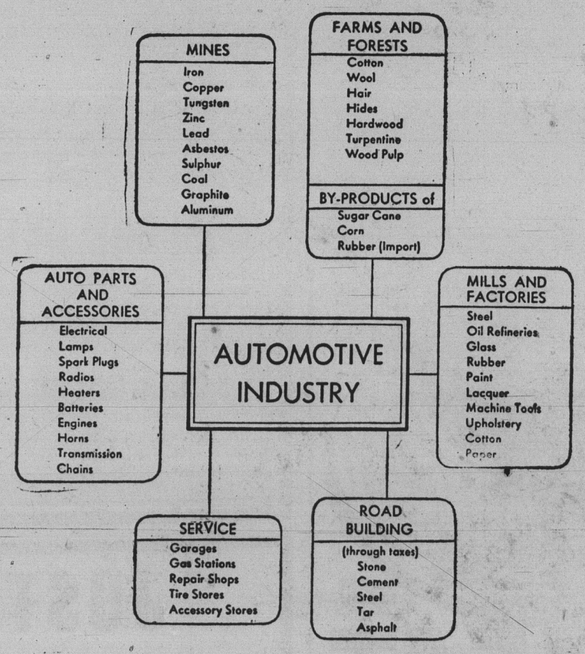


It is estimated that 6,000,000 workers—one out of every seven employed in the United States—owes his job directly or indirectly to the automobile industry. The above chart shows the activities chiefly affected, but does not show how vital a part motor manufacture plays in many of these fields. For example, 10% of all cotton raised in the south, 22% of all steel manufacture, 28% of nickel, 35% of lead and even 72% of all plate glass manufacture go into automobiles. Railroad carloadings total 3,500,000 in hauling raw materials, parts, etc., for automobiles, of which since 1930 more than 40% have been manufactured by General Motors. Of course railroads also haul finished cars.

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I wonder why worth while awards
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I wonder now why pro and con
Are always found together,
I wonder why we grumble so
No matter what the weather.

I wonder at the superb courage of those in the flooded areas of our country. With homes desolated, property destroyed and the ordinary routine of life disrupted, they toil super-humanly and unceasingly. Hearts courageous, we salute you!

I wonder what the wives of sit-down strikers do while their men are sitting.

I wonder if the long suffering general public will ever be invited to submit tentative plans and agreements.

I wonder why supesios people seldom have superiority complexes and why inferior people seldom have inferiority complexes. I wonder why superior people often suffer from inferiority complexes and inferior people are quite addicted to superiority complexes. This sort of wondering is too complex for me—indeed it is.

I wonder why the snow comes down
And when it slips and sloshes,
I wonder where in Heaven's name
To find my old galoshes! —A MERRIAM CONNER.

## CAMPTONVILLE

CAMPTONVILLE, Feb. 6.—Fred O. Godfrey made a trip to Pike City Wednesday on skiis with a load of groceries.

Mrs. William A. Lang went to Nevada City schools are closed on acthere for some time.

Miss Susette Dornberger, a teacher of the Nevada City schools, arrived Thursday on a short visit with friends in this section while the Nevada City schools art closed on account of illness and water conditions.

Mrs. Henry Klenzendorf is seriously ill at the Log Cabin.

Raymond DeLain, Shebley Hunter, Russell Reed and Ardel Atchison came up from Grass Valley Friday on a week end visit here.

Mrs. Kate Hope Livingston is still visiting her birthplace in Mississippi and enjoying herself in renewing her childhood friendships.

William E. Groves returned Wednesday from Nevada City section where he had been working on the Pacific Telephone and Telegraph lines.

W. O. Grant and W. H. Clark returned Tuesday from the lower country and skiied over to the Grant and Heether lumber company saw mill.

Diner: "I see that tips are forbidden here."

Kaitress: "Lor' bless yer, mum, so was the apples in the Garden of Eden."—Humorist (London.)

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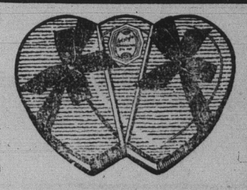
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An American was on a walking tour in Scotland. Snow had fallen and he was struggling along a narrow road when he met a Highlander.

"I guess, friend, I am lost!" he said plaintively.

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## PARTIES, WEDDINGS and CLUB NOTES

### Earline P. Sutton Married in Trinity Church

Miss Earline P. Sutton and Joseph Kashatus were united in marriage at Trinity Episcopal church Saturday evening with Rev. Charles Washburn reading the beautiful Episcopal marriage ritual.

Lighted candelabra and flowers were arranged on the altar and in each of the gothic windows gave a beautiful background for the wedding. The bride preceded by her cousin, Miss Helen Sutton as bridesmaid, came down the aisle to the altar escorted by her father Earl P. Sutton.

The groom was attended by Jack Lewis of Grass Valley as best man. Myers Mobley and Robert Polglase were the ushers.

Preceding the ceremony Mrs. Betty Martin West played organ selections and Mrs. Lyda Talbot sang "I Love Yop Truly."

The lovely bride, one of the favorites of the younger set in Nevada City is the daughter of Earl P. Sutton and the late Belle Sutton. She was born and reared in this city. and received her education in the schools here where she was always most popular. She is a member of the Business and Professional Woman's Club.

The groom is a mining engineer and at present is in the employ of the North Star mine in Grass Valley.

Following the wedding ceremony at Trinity lhurch a reception for the newlyweds was held at the home of the brides uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. John R. Ivey. After a brief honeymoon Mr. and Kashatus will make their home in Nevada City.

### Miss Lois Shaw Married at Mission Dolores

Miss Lois Shaw and Nick Cotriveza were married at an impressive ceremony in old Mission Delores in San Francisco Sunday. The bride was beautiful in a white chiffon velvet gown and carried a sheath of Easter lillies. Mrs. Beverly Barron was matron of honor and M. Resetar acted as best man.

A delightful reception was held at the Shaw home after the wedding service. The happy young couple left immediately after the reception for a honeymoon in old Mexico.

Mrs. Beverley Barron and Miss Ruth Tamblyn of this city attended the beautiful service. Mrs. Cotriveza a former Nevada City teacher, resigned her position in the Washington grammar school at Christmas time. She was a general favorite in a wide circle of friends she made in this city and has best wishes for much happiness.

R. L. P. Bigelow who has been ill for some time is greatly recovered and has resumed his work as water collector.

Baun Rupert, brother of Miss Rhea Rupert, accompanied a group of Piedmont Camp Fire Girls to Camp Augusta on Lake Vera where they spent the week end. The road had been cleared of snow and they had a most delightful time in snow sports.

Mrs. James Brown is about town today after a week's illness with bronchitis. Her sister, Dolores Younkin, is ill at home with a bad cold. Mr. Brown is at the old Sliger mine east of Auburn employed under superintendent Elliott Syms of this city.

The many friends of Miss Mary Nolan assistant librarian, will be pleased to learn that she is making a good recovery from her critical illness at the home of Mrs. Mary Warnecke.

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Noyes of this city returned Saturday from a business trip in San Francisco.

Howard Ross, local contractor is confined to his home with an attack of influenza.

Fred Joubert, mining man of Camptonville, was a business visitor in Nevada City today.

Miss Virginia Carey entertained several friends Saturday evening with a most delightful party at her home on Lost Hill. Rugs were rolled back and several hours spent in dancing after which dainty refreshments were served.


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# PRISON SYSTEM NEEDS EFFICIENT PAROLE RELEASES

BERKELEY, Feb. 8.—Adequate parole and probation systems rather than the building of more prisons, offer the most satisfactory solution of the acute prison overcrowding problem in California, it is indicated in an exhaustive study of penal reform in the state, made by the University of California Bureau of Public Administration. The study was requested by a number of members of the 1937 State Legislature as a guide toward corrective penal legislation.

Despite the storm of criticism directed against the paroling of convicts, the study shows that such criticism is being leveled against a release procedure which is not a parole system in the real sense. While California in recent years has provided for a salaried board of prison terms and paroles to administer the indeterminate sentence law and grat paroles, the facilities and qualified personnel which would enable the board to base its parole decisions on adequate factual studies of the men, have not been furnished.

On June 30, 1936, there were approximately 2,300 persons on parole from the state prisans, supervised by 17 deputy parole officers. Ten of these officers were engaged in office work, leaving but seven available for work in the field. The study showed that the minimum requirements for an effective parole system are an examination of the habits, lives and prospects of prisoners, to determine whether they should be returned to society at any time, an appropriate authority to become thoroughly acquainted with this information and to handle parole applications accordingly, and a trained capable and experienced field staff of parole officers to supervise persons on parole and prevent in so far as possible any return to crime. Conditions now existing make impossible a thorough study of the prisoner at the time of classification or any careful supervision and treatment while in the institution or thereafter.

In regard to probation the study shows that California counties have inadequate facilities and insufficient personnel, insufficient qualifications for probation officers aand deputies, low salaries and inadequate financial support.

The study, which was prepared by Milton Chernin, research associate in the Bureau of Public Administration, indicates that if the reforms noted are put into effect the annual need for prison facilities would be decreased by one-third.

### DIAMOND DRILL

Hal D. Draper, local assayer, has rented his diamond drill to the Mt. Copper Mining company near Placerville. The company is testing ore bodies in the mine.

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